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When can we let public know we are responding to their concerns? Would be good to get back to Ruth and Earthjustice and others on this.  
Thanks.

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From: Claudia Gutierrez  
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RCRA Sampling Inspections in Puerto Rico – This week, DESA will be conducting RCRA sampling in Puerto Rico at the request of DECA. Among the facilities to be visited is the AES Guayama coal-fired power plant. During the combustion of coal, fly ash and bottom ash are generated. This ash is mixed with water to produce a manufactured aggregate, which gains strength with time, similar to cement. After curing, the manufactured aggregate is crushed to gravel-size. Agremax is under contract to AES to explore beneficial uses for the aggregate. EPA is currently developing a Leaching Environmental Assessment Framework (LEAF), which consists of four leaching methods that are designed to characterize materials intended for beneficial reuse. DESA will collect representative samples of the aggregate and ship the sample to EPA-RTP, Durham, NC for analysis. This will assist in the development of the four leaching methods.

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